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SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST SITUATION: PROPOSED JAPANESE STATEMENT

1. JAPANESE AMBASSADOR YASUKAWA CALLED ON SECSTATE AFTERNOON NOVEMBER 19 TO PRESENT STATEMENT REGARDING MIDDLE EAST SITUATION (TEXT BELOW) WHICH GOJ INTENDS TO RELEASE IN TOKYO ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22.
2. YASUKAWA, WHO REFLECTED EXTREME NERVOUSNESS THROUGHOUT CONVERSATION, REVIEWED CONCERNS OF GOJ REGARDING ECONOMIC
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AND SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES IN JAPAN OF THREATENED LOSS OF PETROLEUM FROM ARAB SOURCES, BUT STRESSED THAT REAL FEAR OF GOJ WAS THAT "FUNDAMENTAL JAPANESE POLITICAL STRUCTURE MIGHT BE SHAKEN FATALLY". HE ACKNOWLEDGED

THAT SECSTATE DISCUSSIONS IN TOKYO HAD MADE GOJ FULLY AWARE OF THE DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED IN HIS DELICATE EFFORTS TO BRING ABOUT PEACE. GOJ HAD NO DESIRE TO UNDERMINE SECRETARY EFFORTS. HOWEVER, ARAB PRESSURE HAD NOW REACHED STAGE WHERE GOJ FINDS ITSELF IN AGONIZING POSITION. PROPOSED STATEMENT IS DESIGNED TO COMESAS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE TO ARAB POSITION WHILE DOING MINIMUM OF DAMAGE TO SECRETARY NEGOTIATING EFFORTS.

3. IN RESPONSE SECSTATE QUERY, YASUKAWA SAID TIMING OF RELEASE IS DICTATED BY FEELING THAT GOJ MUST MAKE POSITION KNOWN BEFORE MEETINGS IN ALGIERS OF ARAB FOREIGN MINISTERS NOVEMBER 24 AND HEADS OF GOVERNMENT NOVEMBER 26.

4. SECSTATE LEFT YASUKAWA IN NO DOUBT OF HIS KEEN DISAPPOINTMENT OVER GOJ DECISION. GOJ, HE SAID, WAS WELL AWARE FROM HIS EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS IN TOKYO OF US VIEWS ON THIS SUBJECT. IN EFFECT GOJ HAS CHOSEN TO APPEASE ARABS IN SHORT RUN BUT THIS WILL SIMPLY AGGRAVATE JAPAN'S DIFFICULTIES OVER LONG RUN. JAPANESE STATEMENT WOULD OBVIOUSLY UNDERMINE US NEGOTIATING EFFORTS AND US WOULD OF COURSE FIND IT NECESSARY TO DISASSOCIATE ITSELF FROM JAPANESE POSITION.

5. YASUKAWA RESPONDED THAT HE WAS IN NO POSITION TO ARGUE WITH SECRETARY'S VIEWS BUT FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN US AND JAPANESE POSITIONS IN MIDDLE EAST DISPUTE WAS THAT WHEN IT IS ALL OVER, ARABS WOULD EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR SECSTATE'S EFFORTS BUT WILL SAY JAPAN HAD DONE NOTHING FOR THEM.

6. TEXT OF PROPOSED JAPANESE STATEMENT FOLLOWS. QUOTE.

1. THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN HAS CONSISTENTLY HOPED THAT A JUST AND LASTING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST WILL BE ACHIEVED THROUGH THE PROMPT AND COMPLETE IMPLE-
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MENTATION OF SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 242, AND HAS CONTINUED TO REQUEST THE EFFORTS OF THE PARTIES AND COUNTRIES CONCERNED.

2. THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN IS OF THE VIEW THAT THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES SHOULD BE FOLLOWED IN ACHIEVING A PEACE SETTLEMENT:

(1) THE INADMISSIBILITY OF ACQUISITION AND OCCUPATION OF ANY TERRITORIES BY USE OF FORCE;

(2) THE TOTAL WITHDRAWAL OF ISRAELI FORCES FROM THE TERRITORIES OCCUPIED IN THE 1967 WAR;

(3) THE RESPECT FOR THE INTEGRITY AND SECURITY
OF THE TERRITORIES OF ALL COUNTRIES IN THE
AREA AND THE NEED OF GUARANTEES TO THAT END;
AND

(4) THE RECOGNITION OF AND RESPECT FOR THE
LEGITIMATE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED
NATIONS IN BRINGING ABOUT A JUST AND LASTING
PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

3. THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN URGES THAT EVERY
POSSIBLE EFFORT BE MADE TO ACHIEVE A JUST AND LASTING
PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE ABOVE-
MENTIONED PRINCIPLES. THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN,
DEPLORING, IN PARTICULAR, ISRAEL'S CONTINUED OCCUPATION
OF ARAB TERRITORIES, URGES ISRAEL TO COMPLY WITH THOSE
PRINCIPLES. THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN WILL CONTINUE TO
OBSERVE THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST WITH GRAVE
CONCERN AND, DEPENDING ON FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS, IT MAY
RECONSIDER ITS POSITION WITH ISRAEL. END QUOTE.

7. ADDRESSEES SHOULD NOT COMMENT ON OR REVEAL
ADVANCE KNOWLEDGE OF JAPANESE INTENTIONS OR TEXT
EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER ANNOUNCEMENT BY GOJ. ALL
QUERIES SHOULD BE REFERRED TO DEPT. KISSINGER UNQUOTE
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